FBI Reports Its Collections Exceed Budget

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The Federal Bureau of Investigation said yesterday its investigations over the past fiscal year resulted in fines, savings and property recoveries totalling $547 million—63 per cent more than the FBI's own operating costs.

Reviewing its activities over the past year, the agency said cases handled by the FBI resulted in 13,822 convictions carrying prison sentences—actual, suspended and probationary—totalling more than 52,210 years.

Acting director L. Patrick Gray, III, reported that a series of FBI raids between Feb. 1 and May 1 this year, resulted in the arrests of more than 1,300 persons and the break-up of alleged gambling operations which handled over $1.2 billion a year.

Some $3.25 million in cash, property and "wagering paraphernalia" was confiscated during gambling raids throughout the fiscal year, Gray said.

In all, he said, some 3,000 persons faced prosecution at the close of the fiscal year as a result of FBI gambling raids and more than 750 had been convicted during the year.

Gray said some of them were major leaders in organized crime.